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SUBJ: CHALLENGER

1. ASSUMING CLEARANCE FROM GOS WHICH WE ARE NOW AWAITING AND WHICH I EXPECT TO BE FORTHCOMING SOON, FOLLOWING REPRESENTS THE SORT OF PRO-GRAM WE WOULD LIKE TO PROPOSE TO THE SENEGALESE GOVERNMENT:

JUNE 6- AIRPORT ARRIVAL STATEMENT; TRANSFER TO HOTEL; FREE FOR LUNCH. AFTERNOON TELEVISED NEW CONFERENCE. EVENING RECEPTION AT MY RESIDENCE.

JUNE 7- MORNING COURTESY CALL ON PRIME MINISTER (ANTICIPATE PRESIDENT WILL BE OUT OF COUNTRY). TOUR OF DAKAR WITH PUBLIC APPEARANCE AT UNIVERSITY OF DAKAR. AFTERNOON FREE. EVENING APPEARANCE AT NATIONAL THEATRE FOR SLIDE AND FILM PRESENTATION OF HIGHLIGHTS OF APOLLO 17 MISSION. INTRODUCTION BY GOS OFFICIAL, COMMENTS BY SENEGALESE EXPERTS ON ACHIEVEMENTS OF MISSION, STATEMENT BY ASTRONAUT SPOKESMAN WHICH PRESUMABLY WOULD HAVE TO BE INTERPRETED INTO FRENCH.

JUNE 8- MORNING DEPARTURE FOR NIAMEY

2. WIVES CAN PARTICIPATE IN ABOVE PROGRAM TO EXTENT DESIRED. WILL PERHAPS SUGGEST SEPARATE PROGRAM AT SOME POINTS AS PLANS DEVELOP. PROPOSE ENTIRE PARTY BE HOUSED AT ONE OF DAKAR' S NEWER RESORT HOTELS.

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3. WHAT PROMOTIONAL MATERIAL WILL ACCOMPANY THE PARTY? SUGGEST
NASA
PROVIDE SUCH ITEMS AS SIGNED FRAMED PHOTOGRAPHS WITH PERSONAL
SALU-
TATION TO PRESIDENT, PRIME MINISTER AND OTHER OFFICIALS; SMALL MOON
ROCK SAMPLES FOR INDIVIDUAL PRESENTATION, ETC. WOULD BE
PARTICULARLY
DESIRABLE TO HAVE A LARGER MOON ROCK SPECIMEN WHICH COULD BE
PRESENTED TO THE UNIVERSITY FOR PERMANENT DISPLAY.

4. IS THERE ANY CHANCE THE ASTRONAUTS COULD PROVIDE BASIC FRENCH
COMMENTARY ON SLIDE PRESENTATION SUGGESTED FOR THE NATIONAL
THEATRE
JUNE 7?
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